

**In the Claims**

Please cancel Claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 12 and 22 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (canceled)

2. (canceled)

3. (canceled)

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6. (canceled)

1            7. (currently amended)            A method for enabling identification of a buyer during a  
2 transaction, comprising the steps of:  
3            generating an electronic portrait that provides a physical identifier of a buyer wherein  
4 the electronic portrait comprises at least one of: a mathematical imprint of the buyer, a verbal  
5 description of the buyer, and an electronic audio imprint of the buyer, the electronic portrait

6 that provides the physical identifier of the buyer enabling generation of a physical identifier  
7 for comparison to the buyer by a seller;

8 storing the electronic portrait that provides the physical identifier of the buyer at a  
9 remote location accessible via the personal device;

10 storing an identifier within the personal device enabling access to the electronic  
11 portrait that provides the physical identifier of the buyer at the remote location; and

12 transmitting the electronic portrait that provides the physical identifier of the buyer to  
13 a seller via a wireless interface during a transaction.

1 8. (previously presented) The method of Claim 7, wherein the wireless interface  
2 comprises a Bluetooth interface.

1 9. (currently amended) A method for enabling identification of a buyer during  
2 a transaction, comprising the steps of:

3 transmitting an identifier enabling access to a remote location from a personal device  
4 containing an electronic portrait that provides a physical identifier of the buyer wherein the  
5 electronic portrait comprises at least one of: a mathematical imprint of the buyer, a verbal  
6 description of the buyer, and an electronic audio imprint of the buyer;

7 receiving the electronic portrait that provides the physical identifier of the buyer from  
8 the remote location, the electronic portrait enabling generation of [a] the physical identifier  
9 for comparison to the buyer by a seller using equipment of the seller;

10 generating the physical identifier from the received electronic portrait;  
11 displaying the physical identifier to the seller using equipment of the seller; and  
12 completing the transaction if the physical identifier corresponds to the buyer.

1 10. (previously presented) The method of Claim 9 further comprising the step of  
2 interconnecting with the personal device containing the electronic portrait via the bluetooth  
3 interface.

1 11. (original) The method of Claim 9 further comprising the step of decrypting the  
2 electronic portrait.

12. (canceled) /

13. (canceled) /

1 14. (original) The method of Claim 9 further comprising the steps of comparing the  
2 physical identifier to the buyer.

1 15. (original) The method of Claim 9, wherein the step of receiving further  
2 comprises receiving from the personal device which is located in a shielded area.

1 16. (currently amended) A method for enabling identification of a buyer during  
2 a transaction, comprising the steps of:

3 receiving an identifier enabling access to a location remote from the personal device  
4 containing [the] an electronic portrait that provides the physical identifier of the buyer  
5 wherein the electronic portrait comprises at least one of: a mathematical imprint of the  
6 buyer, a verbal description of the buyer, and an electronic audio imprint of the buyer;  
7 accessing the electronic portrait using the identifier;  
8 generating the physical identifier from the received electronic portrait;  
9 displaying the physical identifier to the seller using equipment of the seller; and  
10 completing the transaction if the physical identifier corresponds to the buyer.

1 17. (original) The method of Claim 9, wherein the short range wireless interface  
2 comprises a Bluetooth interface.

1 18. (currently amended) A method for enabling identification of a buyer during  
2 a transaction comprising the steps of:  
3 generating an electronic portrait that provides a physical identifier of a buyer wherein  
4 the electronic portrait comprises at least one of: a mathematical imprint of the buyer, a  
5 verbal description of the buyer, and an electronic audio imprint of the buyer, the electronic  
6 portrait enabling generation of [a] the physical identifier for comparison to the buyer by a  
7 seller;  
8 storing the electronic portrait at a remote location accessible via the personal device;

9 storing an identifier within the personal device enabling access to the electronic  
10 portrait at the remote location;  
11 establishing a wireless communications link between a personal device and the seller;  
12 receiving the electronic portrait from a buyer via the wireless communications link;  
13 generating the physical identifier from the received electronic portrait;  
14 displaying the physical identifier to the seller on equipment of the seller; and  
15 completing the transaction if the physical identifier corresponds to the buyer.

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19. (canceled)

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20. (canceled)

21. (original) The method of Claim 18 further comprising the step of decrypting the  
electronic portrait.

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22. (canceled)

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23. (canceled)

24. (original) The method of Claim 18, further comprising the step of comparing the  
physical identifier to the buyer.

1           25. (original) The method of Claim 18, further including the step of placing the  
2 electronic device in a shielded area associated with the seller prior to transmitting the  
3 electronic portrait.

✓ 26. (canceled)

1           27. (original) The method of Claim 18, wherein the step of receiving further includes  
2 the steps of:

3           receiving an identifier enabling access to a location remote from the personal device  
4 containing the electronic portrait; and  
5           accessing the electronic portrait using the identifier.

1           28. (original) The method of Claim 18, wherein the wireless interface comprises a  
2 Bluetooth interface.

1           29. (currently amended)       An electronic personal device enabling identification of  
2 a buyer during a transaction comprising:


3           a memory;

4           an identifier enabling access to an electronic portrait that provides a physical  
5 identifier of the buyer stored within a remote location wherein the electronic portrait  
6 comprises at least one of: a mathematical imprint of the buyer, a verbal description of the

7 buyer, and an electronic audio imprint of the buyer, the electronic portrait enabling  
8 generation of [a] the physical identifier for comparison to the buyer by a seller; and  
9 transmission circuitry enabling a wireless communications link between the buyer  
10 and the seller for transmission of the identifier.

1 30. (original) The electronic personal device of Claim 29, further including a public  
2 key associated with the electronic portrait.

1 31. (original) The electronic personal device of Claim 29, wherein the electronic  
2 portrait is part of a certificate.



~~32. (canceled)~~

1 33. (original) The electronic personal device of Claim 29, wherein the personal  
2 device comprises a mobile telephone.

1 34. (original) The electronic personnel device of Claim 29, wherein the wireless  
2 communication link comprises a Bluetooth interface.

1 35. (previously presented) The method according to Claim 7, further including the  
2 step of including an encryption key with the electronic portrait.

1           36. (previously presented)   The method of Claim 7, further including the step of  
2 including a public key with the electronic portrait.

1           37. (previously presented)   The method of Claim 7, further including a private key  
2 associated with the electronic portrait.

1           38. (original)   The electronic personal device of Claim 29, further including a private  
2 key associated with the electronic portrait.

1           39. (original)   The electronic personal device of Claim 29, further including an  
2 encryption key associated with the electronic portrait.

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